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# Army wrestler gets an earful - of teeth

## All Army grappler wins place on U.S. Olympic team, headed to Sidney

By **Tim Hipps**

**Olympic Correspondent, Special to CFSC Public Affairs**

DALLAS — Sgt. Keith Sieracki led three Army World Class Athlete finalists as he wrestled his way to victory over his #1 nemesis in the 2000 U.S. Olympic Wrestling Trials at Reunion Arena June 22-24.

Sieracki defeated Matt Lindland on a referee's decision after leading 2-1 through a grueling overtime period in the finale of their best-of-three

championship series in the 167.5-pound Greco-Roman division.

Specialists Glenn Nieradka and Dominic Black also reached the finals of their respective divisions and will be alternates for the U.S. Olympic Team.

Nieradka, 28, of Newton, N.J., dropped decisions of 4-0 and 7-4 to New York Athletic Club's Kevin Bracken in the finals of the 138.75-pound Greco-Roman class.

Black, 30, of Lexington, Ky., re-sprained his left knee during the first round of the 213.75-pound Freestyle finals against eight-time U.S. Nationals champion Melvin Douglas, the only returning member of 1996 U.S. Olympic Team to qualify for the Games in Sydney. Douglas scored a 10-0 first-round technical fall over Black, who could not return for round two.

Sieracki said he felt like he had to go through Mike Tyson to defeat Lindland for the 167.5-pound Greco-Roman championship.

With 2 minutes, 13 seconds on the overtime clock and Sieracki leading 2-1 in the final of their best-of-three championship series, he suddenly jerked his head away from a clinch with Lindland and screamed to the referee:

"He bit my ear! He bit my ear!"

Sieracki's ear obviously was bleeding. "I thought it was a wrestling match, not an ultimate fighting match. That's officially the first time anyone ever has bitten me in 20 years of wrestling," he said.

After reviewing a television replay, USA Wrestling officials ruled they couldn't determine if Lindland had indeed bitten Sieracki, and the match resumed.

"When he first bit my ear and the referees wouldn't give me an agreement they had seen it [on the replay] and a point for penalizing him, I started to

think maybe they really did want him to win the match," said Sieracki, 28, a military policeman from Richland Center, Wisc. "With a penalty point, it would have ended right there."

Instead, Sieracki held on for the furious final two minutes of overtime in which Lindland, 30, of Lincoln, Neb., tried every trick in his storied book of wrestling moves but failed to score.

Many in the record crowd of

9,434 - largest ever to attend an international-style wrestling event in U.S. history - booed their displeasure as Sieracki held on for the victory.

"I figured a percentage of people in the crowd didn't understand what was going on down on the mat, and I was going to do whatever it took to make the Olympic team, not to make the crowd

happy," Sieracki said. "I love being

cheered, and I'm sure they are going to cheer for me when I'm representing the United States in Sydney."

Sieracki had to convince himself, first and foremost, that he could overcome his toughest opponent, Lindland, to capture the 167-pound Greco-Roman berth on the U.S. Olympic Team. Lindland holds an 8-4 advantage in head-to-head meetings with Sieracki, whom he had defeated seven consecutive times prior to the Trials, including a 1-1 overtime referee's decision in the finals of the 2000 U.S. Nationals in Las Vegas.

The 29-year-old soldier, who wrestled his way through an intense, two-day challenger's tournament to earn a shot at the rested Lindland, won their opening match, 7-3. Lindland evened the series with a 4-0 decision in their second bout.

"I was getting a little overexcited, thinking about the glory and the interviews and calling my family," Sieracki said of losing round two. "And he came in there like a raging bull and caught me flat-footed. I just couldn't get anything going."

But Sieracki says he gained a world of confidence and momentum by removing the proverbial monkey from his back with the breakthrough victory in the opening round. He knew their third-round showdown was going to be the war of his wrestling life, yet he had no clue to what lengths a desperate Lindland would resort.

"I thought that was his last resort. He was getting nervous and running out of options because he couldn't score on his feet," he said.

By Monday, Sieracki said it still hadn't sunk in that he's an Olympian. "It's getting there, a little bit," he said. "My body is hurting so badly that I haven't had time to do anything but lay and absorb the pain from all the head butts and the ear biting.

"In the wrestling world, this is the best feeling you could ever have," Sieracki concluded. "When somebody has beaten you seven times and you take the Olympic dream away from him and make it yours, that just completes the

mission you've set out to do. I think it is a circle complete, at least in the U.S. Now I must go finish the journey of winning my gold medal and then I'm done."

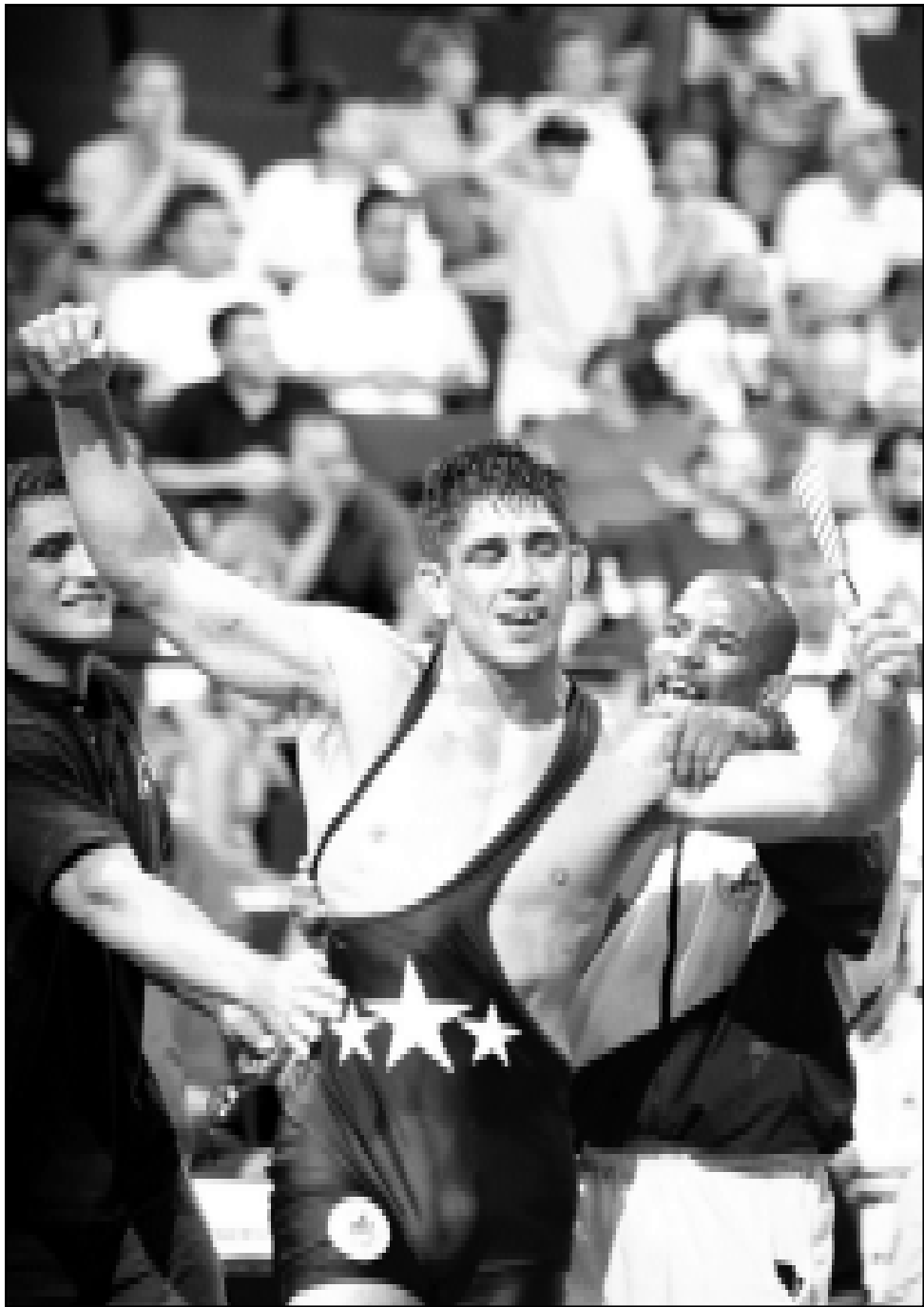


Photo by Tim Hipps

**Sieracki Wins: Army World Class Athlete Sgt. Keith Sieracki waves a small American flag in celebration of his overtime victory over Matt Lindland in the championship finale of the 167.5-pound Greco-Roman division of the 2000 U.S. Olympic Wrestling Trials at Reunion Arena in Dallas.**



*Clockwise from bottom:*

*Silhouetted against the bright afternoon sky, B Troop aligns for formation.*

*B Troop offered horse rides for the kids as part of the day's festivities.*

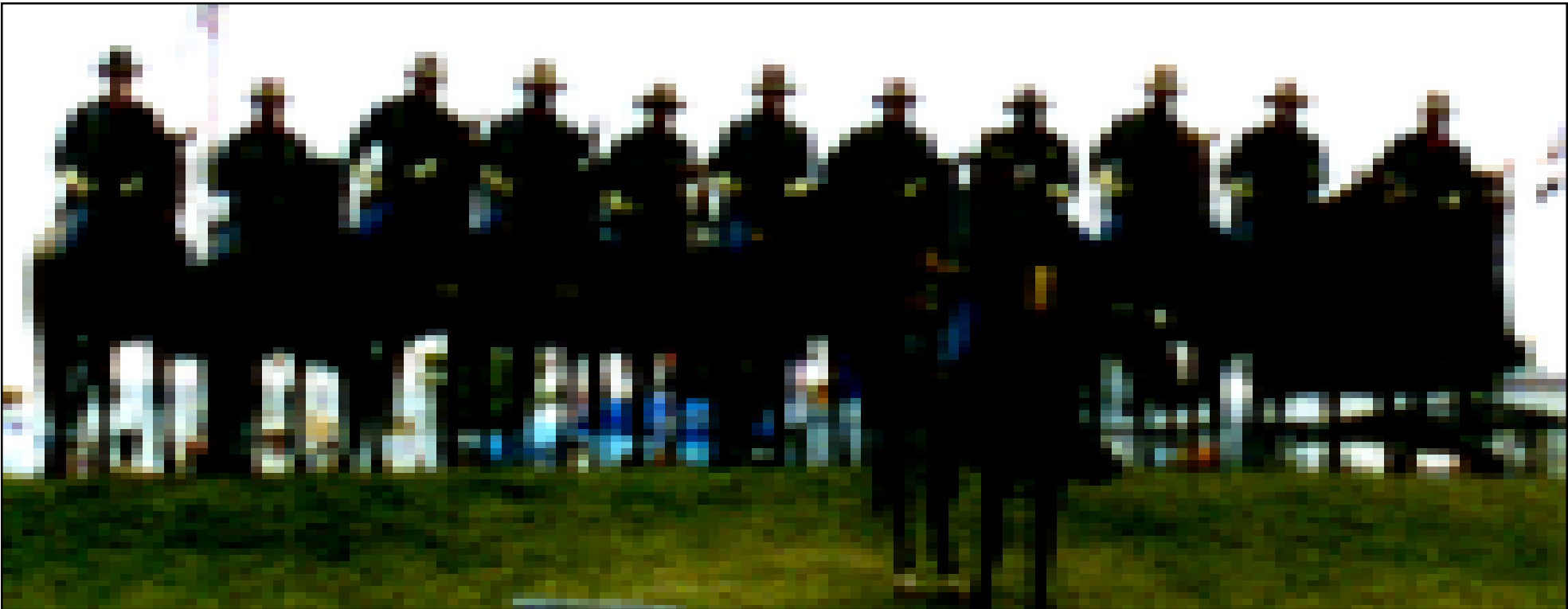
*Pfc. Shala Perry, Headquarters Company, 306th Military Intelligence Battalion, adds some color to the faces stopping by the face painting tent.*

*Staff Sgt. Glen Porter, 305th MI BN, shows off one of Fort Huachuca's Unmanned Aerial Vehicles at one of the static displays at Veteran's Memorial Park Tuesday.*



**Happy 224th America!**

*Fort Huachuca and Sierra Vista joined hands Monday and Tuesday to celebrate the birthday of the U.S. Post providings included performances by the 36th Army Band, static displays from different units, face painting, horse rides by B Troop, and an official ceremony. The city helped close the evening with a fireworks display sponsored by the Rotary Club, Sierra Vista Chapter. Concerts, explosions of color, parades, food and more entertained celebrants. Photos by Angela Moncur*



# Scout Screenroom

By Sgt. Cullen James  
Scout Staff

Currently available for rental:  
**DEUCE BIGALOW: MALE GIGOLO**  
**Touchstone Pictures (Directed by: Mike Mitchell; Starring: Rob Schneider, Arija Bareikis, William Forsythe, Eddie Griffin, Oded Fehr.)**  
**Rated R: Sexual Content, Language, Crude Humor**  
**Family Factor:** Crank up old episodes of *Saturday Night Live* for more laughs and more family friendly humor. Kids would find the toilet style humor funny, but parents won't want them seeing the subject matter of the film. A Pretty Woman gender reversal this isn't.

It was only a matter of time until *Saturday Night Live* alumnus Rob Schneider got his own movie. After a virtual plethora of cameos and co-starring roles it only seemed natural. But whereas his cameo appearances and co-starring roles are usually very funny, his starring role is not.

I looked forward to seeing what Schneider could do in a lead role. I always liked his miniature Elvis and "what-ever meister guy" skits on *SNL*. But he lacks the vivacity and spontaneity he had in "live" television. In *Bigalow*, all the gags seem far too set up and you see all the punchlines coming.

Schneider plays Deuce Bigalow, a fish tank and pool cleaner, who stumbles into the life of a world-class male gigolo. The gigolo is about to go away for three weeks, but has a sick fish. Schneider takes to the task of watching the male call guy's apartment and fish, as the gigolo leaves with two caveats, "Don't answer my phone, and don't mess up anything in my apartment." Of course, Bigalow does both.

He answers the business phone, which gets him into the business, and destroys the gigolo's fish tank and nearly every-



Photo copyright Touchstone Pictures

**Rob Schneider stars as Deuce Bigalow, a down-on-his-luck guy who cleans fish tanks for a living. While fish sitting for a debonair, worl-class male escort, he unintentionally answers the business phone and becomes a male gigolo.**

thing else in the apartment. He finds out from a friend he needs to raise \$3,000 to repair the tank and he only has three weeks before the gigolo returns.

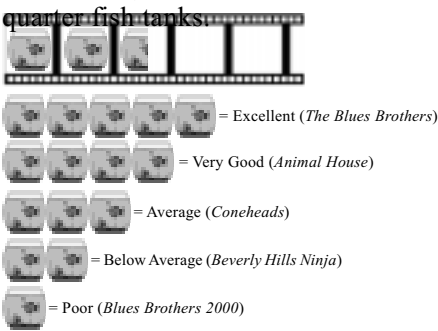
Over that course of time, Bigalow "dates" a variety of women with a variety of quirks and problems. He eventually falls in love with one of his "she Johns" and after she discovers his part-time employ, he has to fight to win her affection back.

Schneider has the capacity to be very funny, but in this movie he's not. He could have done a lot with a plot line like this, but instead of reaching for a sense of originality, he falls into the same "tried and true" film format that killed some of Chris Farley and Adam Sandler's movies.

Like Adam Sandler before him, Schneider gives a short, cameo role to fellow *SNL* alumnus Norm MacDonald who

steals the scene. It's one of the only funny scenes in the movie.

Lacking originality and mostly humorous, I give the film two-and-three-quarter fish tanks:



**MYSTERY, ALASKA**  
**Buena Vista Pictures (Directed by: Jay Roach; Starring: Russell Crowe, Hank Azaria, Lolita Davidovitch, Burt Reynolds.)**  
**Rated R: Nudity, Sexual Content, Lan-**

**guage, Sports Action Violence**  
**Family Factor:** Break out *The Mighty Ducks* for the kids, because they'll enjoy it more and you'll rather them watch it. Sex scenes and adult situations, as well as the lack of much hockey action slam this film's puck into the parent's net.

Did you ever see that episode of *The Andy Griffith Show* where Hollywood producers came out to Mayberry and wanted to shoot a movie there? The whole town got into an uproar and began to clean up town, make their buildings look new and put up huge, "Welcome Hollywood" signs. Of course, Andy warns them against doing this throughout the episode, but the townsfolk don't listen to him. The guys from Hollywood wind up getting really upset they did this — they wanted to shoot Mayberry as it was before — and wound up not shooting anything there.

That's kind of what you get with *Mystery, Alaska*. There's better acting, a better and more involved plot than anything Mayberry ever gave us, but it is similar.

Small, secluded town Mystery, Alaska is a place where the sport of hockey is deified. Every Saturday, local townsmen play each other as all the townsfolk gather to watch. The "Saturday Game" team members are picked by a three-man city council. As younger players become adept they are asked to join and older players are asked to leave or become "first alternates."

Such is the scene we see we fist taken into Mystery's snow encrusted depths. Town Sheriff John Biebe (Russell Crowe) is ushered to the sidelines as a new talent is welcomed aboard. This "changing of the guard" occurs right as a *Sport's Illustrated* article about Mystery's Saturday Game and its play-

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## Showings

Upcoming movies to the Cochise Theatre:

**Today — GLADIATOR** - Russell Crowe, Joaquin Phoenix - In AD 180, when a cruel new Emperor of Rome, Commodus, takes power, he strips the rank from Maximus, one of the favored generals of his predecessor and father, the great stoic philosopher-king, Emperor Marcus Aurelius.

Relegated to fighting in the gladiator arenas to the death lest he challenge Commodus for the emperorship, can this former leader of men survive long enough to break his chains and wreak his vengeance on his mortal enemy, the man who rules Rome? (Intense, graphic combat.) Rated R.

**Friday July 7, Sunday July 9, and Monday July 10 — ROAD TRIP** - Brecklin Meyer, D.J. Qualls - Four friends take off on a 1,000-mile trip across the country from Ithaca, NY to Austin, Texas.

The reason the guys are on the road is to get to one boy's girlfriend before she receives a certain sex-filled videotape mistakenly mailed to her. Another girl is pursuing the boys as well. (Strong sexual content, crude humor, language and drug use.) Rated PG-13.

**Saturday July 8, Tuesday July 11, and Wednesday July 12 — SHANGHAI NOON** - Jackie Chan, Owen Wilson - In a 19th Century Western, a clumsy Imperial Guard to the Emperor

of China joins the guards sent to rescue the Princess, who has been whisked away to Nevada. (Action violence, some drug humor, language and sensuality.) Rated PG-13.

— Unless otherwise indicated, and for matinees which start at 2 p.m., all movies will begin at 7 p.m.

— Ticket prices are \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children. Wednesday, Thursday, and all other matinees are 99 cents.

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players in the  
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*The Mystery, Alaska famous Saturday games pits picked team members against one another.*

Letter to the editor

To the Editor:

I recently participated in the 7th annual 2-10-2 Biathlon. I am not much of a race participant and having only participated in a few around the country I don't have much to compare the 2-10-2 against.

But, for the \$25 entry fee, I expected more than just a T-shirt and a water bottle left over from a Water Wise promotion.

Back in February, I participated in the TMRC West Gate 10k and for a \$2 entry fee I got all the POWERADE I could drink and bagels, both of which go a lot farther than a T-shirt.

Several years ago I participated in a biathlon at U.S. Marine Corps Base Quantico, Va. and it was free, plus I got a tee shirt and there were plenty of refreshments to include bagels, fresh fruit (already cut up) and energy bars even if you finished last.

[Morale, Welfare and Recreation] provided the minimum in the way of refreshments ... less than a banana for every few people (there were none remaining when I finished at 1: 13) and I was lucky to get one orange.

The croissants were a nice touch, but being heavily coated with butter, after one bite to the trash it went.

And though I wasn't expecting any trophies or medals, which there were plenty, had I known that the real fight at the finish would be for the refreshments, I might have pushed a little harder.

The bottom line: though the course was well marked and supported, thanks to the many volunteers, I expected much more from MWR for my \$25.

Master Sgt. Douglas Vidakovich

Dear Master Sgt. Douglas Vidakovich:

Let me elaborate on your comparisons to the two events listed:

First, the West Gate 10K. This was a local club event that consisted of an out and back course which, for set up, required one table for a water point and one cone for the turn around point.

The event was conducted in an isolated area off of the installation keeping the post authorities out of the authorization chain and avoiding the state

ers hits the streets. The article was written by a former local who's now an associate producer for a sports show in New York City.

Before Biebe and the rest of the team have a chance to lament his leaving, the former local boy returns with an offer to the town. His article has produced much interest in Mystery's mystery men hockey players and he has gotten approval to bring the New York Rangers hockey team to play an exhibition game in Mystery.

The town goes wild. At a town hall meeting, only few voice opposition to the proposition. The game is approved and immediately the town goes into overdrive preparing for the game. Biebe is asked to coach the team, which he does — for a while.

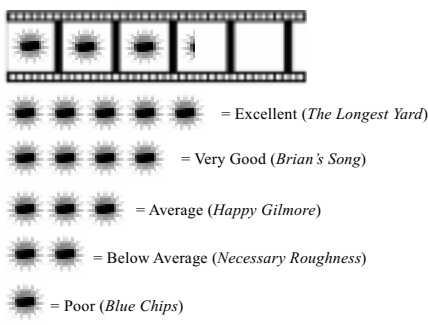
There are subplots and problems concerning bringing the Rangers to Alaska, training the team, legal troubles for one player, and the death of one of the "council of three." In the end, of course, the Rangers come. Who wins? Watch the

movie.

Critics have criticized the film for a lack of believability, and perhaps they're right. Although I don't find this film any less believable than many others of it's kind. It's an enjoyable movie with a good story and superb acting.

Burt Reynolds does a great job as the town's judge who tries to keep the town from losing its head over the game. Crowe is excellent in his role and Hank Azaria, the town's own prodigal son, is as narcissistic as ever.

A good and recommended film, but not great. I give it three-and-one-quarter hockey pucks.



Sports Nixed

- 1. Before Juan Montoya, who was the last rookie to win the Indianapolis 500?
- 2. Who was the youngest driver to win the Indy 500?
- 3. Who was the oldest driver to win the Indy 500?
- 4. Who holds the record for assists in an NBA Finals game?
- 5. Who holds the best career scoring average in NBA Finals history?
- 6. What NHL goalie holds the record of 502 consecutive complete games?
- 7. Dr. Benjamin Spock won an Olympic Gold Medal in?
- 8. Who was the first coach to lead three different schools to the

- NCAA Basketball Tournament?
- 9. Bjorn Borg did not win what major tennis championship?
- 10. Who was the first NHL player to score 60 or more goals in three consecutive seasons?
- Sports Anagram (rearrange the letters to spell the name of a famous sports player):
- I'd worst ego (hint: golf)
- Answers:

1. Graham Hill, 2. Troy Ruttman, 3. Al Unser, Sr., 4. Magic Johnson, 5. Rick Barry, 6. Glen Hall, 7. Rowing, 8. Eddie Hickey, 9. U.S. Open, 10. U.S. Open, Tiger Woods



# In the Spotlight

See your MWR activity highlighted in The Fort Huachuca Scout, call 538-0836.

## MWR Rents has it all (almost)!

MWR Rents offers a wide selection of equipment for all your recreational, household and gardening needs as well as a resale lot to display vehicles for sale.

Boats are available for rent in several sizes with all the accessories and equipment necessary for a great get-away. A marine mechanic is now on staff to help with your private boating needs and from Feb. to Oct., State Boaters' Safety classes are available.

Trailers and a variety of camping equipment are available as well as a vast array of sporting equipment including; badminton, horseshoes, frisbies, basketballs, footballs, softball and volleyball equipment, mountain bikes, and fishing rods and reels. For your next backyard get-together, MWR Rents has a selection of barbeque grills and two styles of moonbouncers for the kids.

Tools and equipment for gardening, home improvement and repairs available also. The lengthy list includes waxer/polishers, carpet cleaners, leaf blowers, lawn mowers, edgers, power tools, and more.

MWR Rents is open to all authorized MWR patrons. Hours are Sun. 10a.m.-4p.m.; Mon. 9a.m.-5p.m.; Tues. 9a.m.-6p.m.; Wed. closed; Thurs. 9a.m.-6p.m.; Fri. 9a.m.-6p.m.; Sat. 9a.m.-5p.m.

For more information call 533-6707 or 533-6708.

# STEELHEAD TRIATHLON



## 22 JULY 2000

Fort Huachuca Summer Sports Series 22 July 00

### The Fort Huachuca Multi-Sport Summer Series is an MWR Recreation Services Program. For more information call Les Woods, (520) 533-5031.

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# Fort Huachuca Morale, Welfare & Recreation Updates

The Directorate of Morale, Welfare & Recreation is responsible for content appearing on MWR pages in The Fort Huachuca Scout. Questions about this section should be directed to MWR Marketing Director, Paula German at 538-0836 or send an e-mail to [germanp@huachuca-emh1.army.mil](mailto:germanp@huachuca-emh1.army.mil).






## Live Latin Band “Ismael Barajas” to entertain July 15 at La Hacienda

La Hacienda has scheduled a live Latin band, Ismael Barajas, from Tucson to play Merengue, Salsa and Latin Jazz for your dancing and listening pleasure on Saturday, July 15, 9:30 p.m. to 4 a.m. A disc jockey will also be in house, offering other favorites.

This is a brand new concept for La Hacienda. Mexican bands, not Latin, have been scheduled in the past.

Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door and are on sale now at the La Hacienda. For more information, call 533-3802.



## July classes scheduled at Arts Center

All weekday classes are offered from 6 to 8p.m. Ceramics and jewelry classes are held on Thursdays; Pottery and Framing classes on Tuesdays; Stained Glass and Photography classes on Wednesdays. Painting classes (oil, acrylic, watercolor) are held on Saturday from 10a.m. to noon. The Arts Center also features an art supply store and a gallery with monthly showings. Drop on in during our scheduled hours; Tues. - Thurs. Noon until 8p.m.; Fri. and Sat. 9a.m. until 5p.m.; closed Sun. and Mon.


## Steelhead Triathlon set for July 22

The Steelhead Triathlon is the second event in the multi-sport summer series offered by MWR Recreation Services. The course consists of an 800 yard pool swim, a 13 mile bike ride and a 3.1 mile run. Entry forms and course maps are available at Barnes Field House. The entry fee is \$20 for individual military, \$25 for individual civilian, \$35 for military 3-member team, \$40 for civilian 3-member team. This fee includes awards, refreshments and event t-shirt.

Awards will be offered to the top three in each category. There will be no registrations accepted on race day, so drop by Barnes Field House to enter this event or call 533-5031 for more information.

## Blood Donors Needed

The American Red Cross will offer blood drives at ISEC tomorrow from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; at Murr Community Center on July 21 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.; at the Intell Center on July 28 from 2 to 8 p.m. For further information call the American Red Cross representative at (520) 917-2877 or 1-800-GIVE-LIVE.



## Center targets coming events!

July 22 and 23 are the dates for the registered Skeet Shoot. Plan for half-priced Paintball on July 22 and 29. Rental will be \$10 and range fee will be only \$2.50.

The next Concealed Carry Class for will start July 26 and will continue on Aug. 2, 6, and 9. 5, 9. All classes must be attended to receive credit. Call now to register

for this session. The cost is \$67.

There is a Registered Trap Shoot scheduled for August 4, 5 and 6. Call 533-7085 for information.



## “Kids Only!” trail rides to continue

The “Kids Only!” Trail Rides are scheduled to continue throughout the summer for riders ages 7 to 17. Rides are planned for next Wednesday and July 26, August 9 and 23. The rides are from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. and the cost is \$7 per rider.

Reservations and prepayment are required by COB the Tuesday before the ride and a release of liability needs to be signed by a parent or guardian. Call 533-5220 for further information.

## MWR facilities close for employee picnic

The annual Team MWR picnic is to be held at the LakeSide Activity Centre on Tues., July 25. Facilities that will close all day are, MWR Rents, Desert Lanes, Barnes Field House, MWR Arts Center, Sportsman's Center and MWR Division Offices. MWR Box Office will close at 11 a.m.; NAF Personnel will close at 11:30 a.m.; Child Development Center and School-Age and Youth Services programs will remain open, but School-Age and Youth Services supplemental programs and Family Child Care offices will close at 11:30 a.m. Eifler Fitness Center and RPM will observe regular hours.

# Pvt. Murphy's Law

By Mark Baker



## Updated DOD patronage rules allow usage at some MWR facilities

*MWR release*  
*Reprinted from "MWR Feedback"*

Department of Defense officials approved new groups of patrons to use most morale, welfare and recreation programs and facilities. In 1999, foster children and foreign exchange students were added to the list of authorized users, with some limits.

They may not use childcare services or military exchanges, which are governed by a different set of specific regulations.

"Previously these individuals could participate in MWR activities only as bona fide guests, which meant they had to be accompanied at all times by an authorized patron," said Sally Entlich, Strategic Planning and Policy analyst at CFSC. "This recognition as an authorized patron helps them to feel more like a real family member."

A 1997 Army Family Action Plan issue prompted inclusion of foster children and foreign exchange students.

Commanders are authorized to develop a local ID card for identification purposes or issue limited duration letters of access for these individuals.

The foster child and foreign exchange student patronage information was provided to the field via official message

(081501ZJUL99) and will be published in AR 215-1 and in the next change to the Department of Defense Instruction 1015.10.

Each group of user is defined:

*Foster child.* A child other than a sponsor's biological or adopted child, who is residing in a sponsor's home, and whose care, comfort, education and upbringing have been entrusted to the sponsor on a temporary or permanent basis by a court or civilian agency, or by a parent of the child.

*Exchange student.* A student from another country, accepted by a schools sponsored exchange student program, afforded the opportunity to learn and live with a military family within the U.S. while attending school for one academic year or semester.

The host family assumes responsibility for the student's room and board. The student's parents provide the student with an appropriate allowance. Payment for round-trip airline tickets, issued to their final destinations, and medical coverage for the entire duration of the child's stay with the military family in the United States are determined by the school-sponsored program.

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